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#### Preface

ANL has CMake on Theta and Cooley

CMake can be acquired from numerous locations for your local machine

https://www.cmake.org/download/

From your Linux distribution Visual Studio 2017+

apt.kitware.com for Debian and Ubuntu
Snap universal linux package
pip install cmake
homebrew



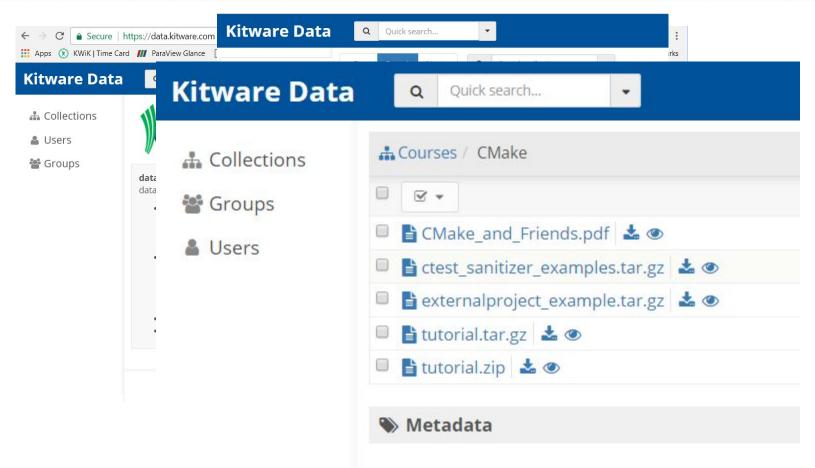
#### Preface

You will need to install the exercises

Download at:

<ANL> resource









#### **Collaborative software R&D**

Technical computing
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Open source leadership







#### Successful small business

Founded in 1998; privately owned; no debt 170 employees; 1/3 masters, 1/3 PhD \$31M revenue in 2018

#### **Awards**

HPC Best visualization product
Tibbetts award for outstanding research
6-Time Inc. 5000 Honoree







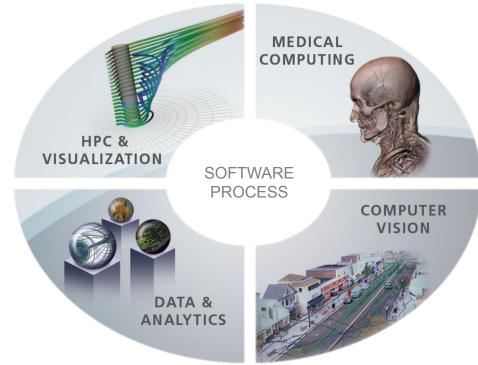


#### **Supporting all sectors**

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#### Open source platforms

VTK & ParaView interactive visualization and analysis for scientific data

ITK & 3D Slicer medical image analysis and personalized medicine research

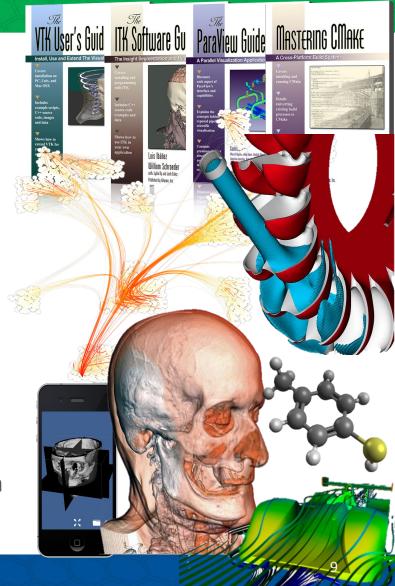
**CMake** cross-platform build system

CDash, CTest, CPack, software process tools

**Resonant** informatics and infovis

**KWIVER** computer vision image and video analysis

Simulation, ultrasound, physiology, information security, materials science, ...



#### Introduction to CMake



In the beginning there was the command line:

% gcc hello.cxx -o hello



Maybe use a shell script to avoid typing buildhello.sh #!/bin/sh gcc hello.cxx -o hello

% buildhello.sh



Even better use the make tool

Makefile

hello: hello.cxx

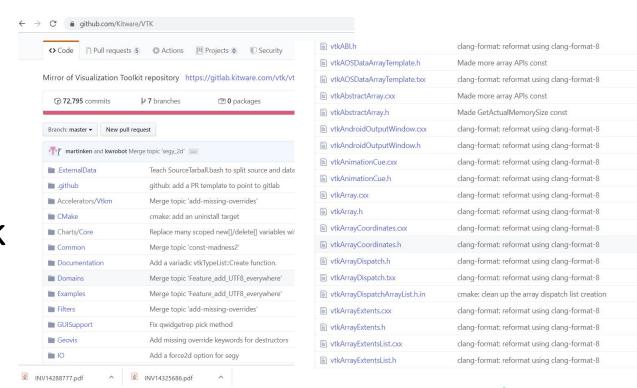
gcc hello.cxx

% make hello

// what about #include files?



Shell scripts and command lines and simple makefiles work for a few files, but not for lots of files like VTK





A build system manages all of the source files and the complicated interdependencies for a project and turns them into hopefully useful programs and libraries.



#### What is CMake?

- CMake is the cross-platform, open-source build system that lets you use the native development tools you love the most.
- It's a build system generator
- It takes plain text files as input that describe your project and produces project files or make files for use with a wide variety of native development tools.
- Family of Software Development Tools
  - Build = CMake Test = CTest/CDash

Package = CPack



#### How CMake Changes The Way We Build C++

- Boost aims to give C++ a set of useful libraries like Java, Python, and C#
- CMake aims to give C++ compile portability like the compile once and run everywhere of Java, Python, and C#
  - Same build tool and files for all platforms
  - Easy to mix both large and small libraries



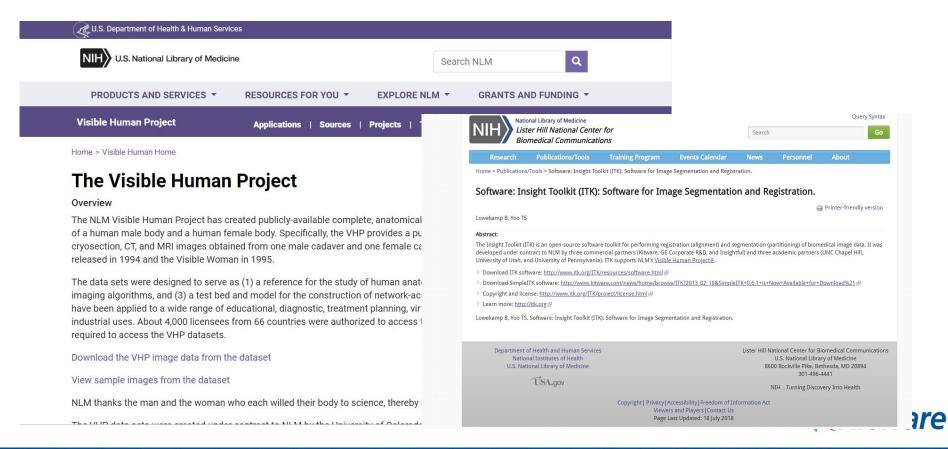






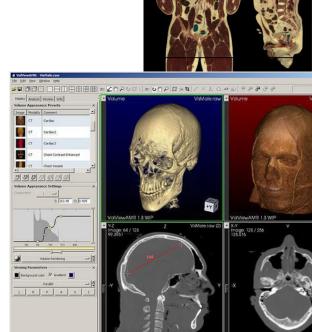


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- Kitware was the lead engineering team for the Insight Segmentation and Registration Toolkit (ITK) <a href="http://www.itk.org">http://www.itk.org</a>
- Funded by National Library of Medicine (NLM): part of the Visible Human Project
  - Data CT/MR/Slice 1994/1995
  - Code (ITK) 1999



**Kitware** 

## **CMake: History**

- Other available tools were insufficient: pcmaker (vtk3.2), autoconf,
   Apache ANT, qmake (Qt), JAM
- CMake provides the combination of native build tool use and platform introspection that none of the others provide.
- CMake Release-1-0 branch created in 2001
- CMake 2.8 released in November, 2009
- CMake 3.0 released June, 2014
- CMake 3.14 released March, 2019
- CMake 3.17 released March, 2020



## CMake has high adoption

The Qt Company Decides To Deprecate The Qbs Build System, Will Focus On CMake & QMake

Written by Michael Larabel in Qt on 29 October 2018 at 08:23 AM EDT. 62 Comments

While Qt's Qbs build system was once planned as the default build system for Qt6 and shaping up to be the de facto successor to QMake, there is a change of course with The Qt Company now announcing they are deprecating this custom build system.

In recent months Qbs for Qt 6 began looking less certain and now The Qt Company has announced they are going to deprecate Qbs. From talking with their customers, they decided to focus on QMake and CMake.

5 million CMake downloads in 2019. 13809 downloads per day, or a daily rate of 307.3GiB, and yearly over 10TiB





#### CMake, CTest, and CDash at Netflix

Posted in CMake. Viewed 5489 times.



At the Core Technologies team at Netflix, we develop the application framework and streaming engine used by millions of consumer electronics devices, game consoles, tablets, and phones. With such a diverse array of devices and platforms, we need to make sure our code is lightweight, standards compliant, and portable. As we also produce the SDK that is used by partners to port Netflix to their devices, we need to make sure that it builds and runs well across many versions of

the C++ compiler and standard C libraries.



# Jetbrains IDE- CMake is the most popular build tool at 42%.



• Job openings requiring CMake experience, March, 2019 Indeed.com, 464 jobs, at Tesla Motors, DCS Corp, Mindsource, Quanergy, ...LinkedIn.com, 486 jobs, at Samsung, Johnson Controls, Apple, Uber, Toyota, Microsoft ...



## **Updated CMake Tutorial**

#### Guides

- CMake Tutorial
- User Interaction Guide
- Using Dependencies Guide

#### Release Notes

CMake Release Notes

A new series of *guides* provided with each CMake release to help with learning and using CMake.

Fully-tested source code embedded in HTML docs

# Outsource your build to the CMake developers

\$ Is

 A build system that just works

 A build system that is easy to use cross platform Typical Project without CMake (curl)

```
CHANGES
                RELEASE-NOTES curl-config.in missing
CMake
               acinclude.m4 curl-style.el mkinstalldirs
CMakeLists.txt
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                              depcomp
                                           notes
build
         docs
                   notes~
COPYING
                buildconf include
                                       packages
CVS
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ChangeLog
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                                     sample.emacs
               config.guess libcurl.pc.in src
Makefile
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README
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CMakeLists.txt Makefile.riscos curlsrc.dsp hugehelp.h
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Makefile.am
              config-amigaos.h curlutil.h makefile.amiga writeout.c
Makefile.b32
              config-mac.h getpass.c makefile.dj writeout.h
             config-riscos.h getpass.h mkhelp.pl
Makefile.in
             config-win32.h homedir.c setup.h
Makefile.inc
                            homedir.h urlglob.c
Makefile.m32
               config.h.in
Makefile.netware curl.rc
                            hugehelp.c urlglob.h
```



- Open-source cross-platform build manager using native tools
  - Visual Studio 6, 2003, 2005, 2008, 2010, 2012, 2013, 2015, 2017, 2019
  - Borland make, Nmake, Unix make, MSYS make, MinGW make
  - Ninja
  - Xcode
- IDE Support

Code::BlocksKDevelop

CodeLiteKate

– CLion Sublime Text

Eclipse
 Visual Studio Code

Emacs and Vim syntax files can be found on the CMake Download page



- Operating Systems:
  - HPUX, IRIX, Linux, MacOS, Windows, QNX, SunOS, and others
- Allows for platform inspection
  - Programs
  - Libraries and Header files
  - Packages
  - Determine hardware specifics like byte order
- Compiler Language Level Support
  - C, C++, ObjC, ObjC++, CSharp, CUDA, Fortran, Swift



- Support for complex custom commands such as:
  - Qt's moc, VTK's wrapping
- Static, shared, object, and module library support
  - including versions .so support
- Single input format for all platforms
- Create configured .h files



- Automatic dependency generation (C, C++, CUDA, Fortran)
  - build a target in some directory, and everything this target depends on will be up-to-date
- Automatic re-execution of cmake at build time if any cmake input file has changed
- Parallel builds
- User defined build directory



- Color and progress output for make
- Graphviz output for visualizing dependency trees
- Full cross platform install() system
- Compute link depend information, and chaining of dependent libraries
- make help, make foo.o, make foo.i, make foo.s



- Advanced RPATH handling
  - Support for chrpath, i.e. changing the RPATH without need to actually link again
- Create OSX library frameworks and application bundles
- Extensive test suite and nightly builds/test on many platforms
- Supports cross compilation

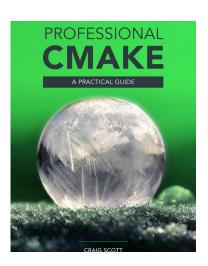


# Learning CMake

#### For help or more information see:

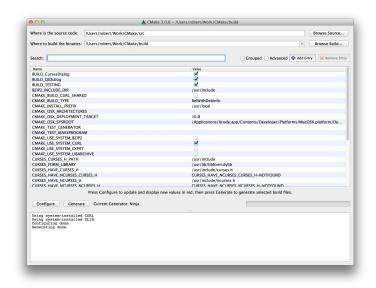
- Professional CMake by Craig Scott
- Discourse forum
  - https://discourse.cmake.org
- Documentation
  - https://www.cmake.org/cmake/help/latest/
- Tutorial
  - https://cmake.org/cmake/help/latest/guide/tutorial/index.html





## Running CMake

- cmake-gui (the Qt gui)
- ccmake (the terminal cli)
- cmake (non-interactive command line)



```
Page 1 of 2
                                 OFF
 BUILD_TESTING
                                 ON
 CMAKE_BUILD_TYPE
 CMAKE_CXX_COMPILER_LAUNCHER
 CMAKE_C_COMPILER_LAUNCHER
 CMAKE_INSTALL_PREFIX
 CMAKE_USE_SYSTEM_BZIP2
CMAKE_USE_SYSTEM_CURL
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 CMAKE_USE_SYSTEM_EXPAT
CMAKE USE SYSTEM FORM
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CMAKE_USE_SYSTEM_JSONCPP
CMAKE USE SYSTEM LIBARCHIVE
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 CMAKE USE SYSTEM LIBLZMA
                                 OFF
CMAKE USE SYSTEM LIBRHASH
 CMAKE USE SYSTEM LIBUV
                                 OFF
CMAKE USE SYSTEM NGHTTP2
                                 OFF
CMAKE USE SYSTEM ZLIB
                                 OFF
CMAKE USE SYSTEM ZSTD
                                 OFF
CMake BUILD LTO
CMake_RUN_CLANG_TIDY
 CMake_RUN_IWYU
 CMake TEST CUDA
 CPACK_ENABLE_FREEBSD_PKG
 DPKG_EXECUTABLE
 FAKEROOT_EXECUTABLE
 GUNZIP EXECUTABLE
 NSIS MAKENSIS EXECUTABLE
NUGET EXECUTABLE
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 Qt5Gui_DIR
 Qt5Widgets_DIR
 READELE EXECUTABLE
 RPMBUTID EXECUTABLE
 RPM EXECUTABLE
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Kevs: [enter] Edit an entry [d] Delete an entry
     [1] Show log output [c] Configure
                          [q] Quit without generating
     [t] Toggle advanced mode (currently off)
```

### **CMake Workflow**

```
-/W/c/tutorial_build $ cmake <u>../src/Tests/Tutorial/Complete</u>
```



# Step 0 - Run CMake

#### Cooley:

soft add +cmake-3.17.3

#### Theta:

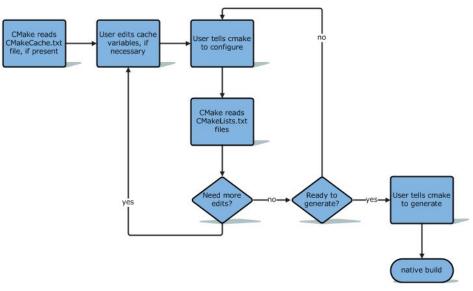
module load cmake/3.16.2 module swap craype-mic-knl craype-broadwell

Run cmake --version from the command line

Run ccmake or cmake-gui



**Exercise!** 



### Basic CMake Syntax

The CMake language consists of:
Commands, Variables, and Comments

```
cmake_minimum_required(VERSION 3.8)
project(main)
# require C++11 and don't decay down to 98
set(CMAKE_CXX_STANDARD 11)
set(CMAKE_CXX_STANDARD_REQUIRED True)
add subdirectory(MathFunctions)
add executable(main main.cxx)
target_link_libraries(main MathFunctions)
```



## Basic CMake Syntax: examples

Commands may span multiple lines, but the command name and the opening parenthesis must be on the same line

```
set(sources
   CellSet.cxx
   CellSetExplicit.cxx
   CellSetStructured.cxx
   CoordinateSystem.cxx
   Field.cxx
   ImplicitFunction.cxx
)
```



## **CMake Commands**

- Commands are documented online and within cmake itself:
  - https://cmake.org/cmake/help/latest/manual/cmake-commands
     .7.html
- Commands may be uppercase or lowercase.

```
add_executable(main main.cxx)
ADD_EXECUTABLE(main main.cxx)
```

**Prefer Lowercase** 

Historical note: commands used to be all uppercase, earning CMake the affectionate nickname "SCREAMMake" Thankfully, those days are over!



# CMake Commands (Arguments)

- Command arguments are space separated
- Arguments are case sensitive

### add\_executable(main WIN32 main.cxx)

- Quoted arguments
  - A quoted argument is always exactly one value.
  - An unquoted argument splits on semicolons and removes empty arguments.

Variable names are case sensitive

```
set(LEAF valueA)
set(leaf valueB)
```

Creates two distinct variables named "LEAF" and "leaf"

- Names can only contain alpha-numerics and underscores
  - [A-Za-z0-9\_]
- CMake uses many variables that begin with "CMAKE\_" avoid this naming convention (and establish your own) for CMake variables specific to your project



### CMake variables are strings

```
# These two statements are equivalent to each other.
set(srcs src1.cxx src2.cxx src3.cxx)
set(srcs "src1.cxx;src2.cxx;src3.cxx")
```



Special syntax for setting environment use ENV and curly braces { }

```
set(ENV{PATH} <value>...)
```



Variable dereferencing syntax: \${VAR}

```
message(STATUS "CMAKE_SOURCE_DIR='${CMAKE_SOURCE_DIR}'")
set(my_dir "${CMAKE_CURRENT_SOURCE_DIR}/my_dir")
message(STATUS "my_dir='${my_dir}'")
```

Environment Variable dereferencing syntax: \$ENV{VAR}

```
set(my_path "$ENV{PATH}")
message(STATUS "my_path='${my_path}'")
```



#### **Escaping**

- \ is the escape character used in CMake
- You can also use long brackets

```
set(classic_str "* here be \"dragons\" *")
set(long_brackets [=[* here be "dragons" *]=])
message(STATUS ${classic_str})
message(STATUS ${long_brackets})
```

Both of these print: \* here be "dragons" \*



# Configuring Header Files

 Can put build parameters into a header file instead of passing them on the command line

```
configure_file(
   ${PROJECT_SOURCE_DIR}/projectConfig.h.in
   ${PROJECT_BINARY_DIR}/projectConfig.h
)
```



# Configuring Header Files

• #define VARIABLE @VARIABLE@

```
// C++ source file
#define VARIABLE @VARIABLE@
#ifdef VARIABLE
   // will be hit when the CMake variable doesn't exist
#endif
```



# Configuring Header Files

#cmakedefine VARIABLE

```
// C++ source file
#cmakedefine @VARIABLE@
#ifdef VARIABLE
   // will not-be hit when the CMake
   // variable doesn't exist
#endif
```



## Requiring a CMake Version

 First line of the top level CMakeLists.txt should always be cmake\_minimum\_required

```
cmake_minimum_required(VERSION 3.9)
project(Example LANGUAGES C CXX CUDA)
```

- Allows projects to require a given version of CMake
- Allows CMake to be backwards compatible



## project() command

 Necessary for the top-level CMake. Should be set after the cmake\_minimum\_required command

```
cmake_minimum_required(VERSION 3.9)
project(Example LANGUAGES C CXX CUDA)
```

- VERSION: sets the PROJECT\_VERSION\_MAJOR/MINOR/TWEAK
- DESCRIPTION: sets the PROJECT\_DESCRIPTION variable
- LANGUAGES:
  - C, CXX, FORTRAN, CSharp, CUDA, ASM
  - Default is C and CXX if not defined



# CMake Language Standards

• CMake offers a few different ways to specify which version of a language should be used.

```
set(CMAKE_CXX_STANDARD 11)
set(CMAKE_CXX_STANDARD_REQUIRED TRUE)
```

```
[ 50%] Building CXX object main.cxx.o
/usr/bin/c++ -std=gnu++11 -o main.cxx.o -c main.cxx
```

 CMAKE\_CXX\_EXTENSIONS controls if compiler specific extensions are enabled



## CMake 3.8: meta-features

- Request compiler modes for specific language standard levels
  - cxx\_std\_11, cxx\_std\_14, cxx\_std\_17
  - Works with Clang, GCC, MSVC, Intel, Cray, PGI, XL
- These should be used instead of features like cxx\_auto\_type

```
# Request that particles be built with -std=c++17
# As this is a public compile feature anything that links to particles
# will also build with -std=c++17
target_compile_features(particles PUBLIC cxx_std_17)
```

```
[ 50%] Building CXX object CMakeFiles/particles.dir/randomize.cpp.o
/Applications/Xcode.app/Contents/Developer/Toolchains/XcodeDefault.xctoolchain/usr/bin/c++ -g
-std=gnu++1z -o CMakeFiles/particles.dir/randomize.cpp.o -c /Users/robert/Work/cmake_tutorial/paral
lel_forall/posts/cmake/randomize.cpp
[100%] Linking CXX static library libparticles.a
```



### Step 0.5 - CMake and Compiler Selection

#### Cooley:

```
soft add +cmake-3.17.3
```

#### Theta:

```
module load cmake/3.16.2 Exercise! module swap craype-mic-knl craype-broadwell
```

- CMake caches the compiler for a build directory on the first invocation.
- CMake compiler detection has the following preference
  - env variables ( CC, CXX )
  - cc and cxx path entries
  - gcc and g++ path entries
- Try the following on cooley / theta
  - soft add +gcc-7.1.0 [cooley only]
  - cmake -S Step0 -B Step0CXXBuildDir
  - CXX=g++ cmake -S Step0 -B Step0GCCBuildDir



### Step 0.5 - CMake and Compiler Selection

```
rmaynard@thetalogin6:~/alcf_cmake> cmake -S ./tutorial/Step0 -B ./build_theta/s0
-- The C compiler identification is Intel 19.0.5.20190815
-- The CXX compiler identification is Intel 19.0.5.20190815
-- Cray Programming Environment 2.6.1 C
```

```
rmaynard@thetalogin6:~/alcf_cmake> CXX=g++ cmake -S ./tutorial/Step0 -B ./build_theta/s0gcc
-- The C compiler identification is Intel 19.0.5.20190815
-- The CXX compiler identification is GNU 4.8.5
-- Cray Programming Environment 2.6.1 C
```



### Step 1 - Configure a File and C++11 Controls

#### Cooley:

```
soft add +cmake-3.17.3
```

#### Theta:

```
module load cmake/3.16.2 Exercise! module swap craype-mic-knl craype-broadwell
```

- Follow the instructions in Step1
- Run cmake or cmake-gui to configure the project and then build it with your chosen build tool
- cd to the directory where Tutorial was built (likely the make directory or a Debug or Release build configuration subdirectory) and run these commands:
  - Tutorial 4294967296
  - Tutorial 10
  - Tutorial



## Flow control (if)

CMake if command supports a wide range of expressions

```
if(my_var)
  set(result ${my_var})
endif()
if(NOT my_var)
if(my_var AND my_var2)
if(my_var OR my_var2)
if(my_var MATCHES regexp)
if(TARGET target)
if(EXISTS file)
if(my_var LESS my_var2)
if(my_ver VERSION_EQUAL "2.0.2")
```

# Flow control (if): FALSE values

- The following values are all equivalent to "FALSE" in a CMake if command:
  - "" (the empty string)
  - OFF
  - 0
  - NO
  - FALSE
  - N
  - "NOTFOUND" exactly or ends in "-NOTFOUND"
  - IGNORE



# Flow control: loops

```
foreach(F IN ITEMS a b c)
 message(${F})
endforeach()
set(items a b c)
foreach(F IN LISTS items)
 message(${F})
endforeach()
```

```
while(MY_VAR)
  message(${MY_VAR})
  set(MY_VAR_FALSE)
endwhile()
```



## add\_subdirectory and variable scope

- The add\_subdirectory command allows a project to be separated into directories
- Variable values are inherited by CMakeLists.txt files in sub directories

```
— TopDir
    set(MY_VAR 1)
    add_subdirectory(Dir1)
```

- TopDir/Dir1
Dir1/CMakeLists.txt -> MY\_VAR is 1



### **Function**

```
function(showcase_args myarg)
  message("myarg: ${myarg}")
  message("ARGV0: ${ARGV0}")
  message("contents of myarg: ${${myarg}}")
  message("extra arguments: ${ARGN}")
  message("# of arguments: ${ARGC}")
endfunction()
set(items a b c)
showcase_args(items)
```

myarg: items ARGV0: items contents of myarg: a;b;c

extra arguments:

# of arguments: 1

- ARGC number of arguments passed
- ARGV0, ARGV1, ... actual parameters passed in
- ARGV list of all arguments
- ARGN list of all arguments beyond the last formal parameter



### **Function**

- Dynamically scoped, so any variables set are local to the function
- Use **set(...PARENT\_SCOPE)** to set a variable in the calling

```
function(showcase_args myarg)
  set("${myarg}" ${${myarg}} d e f PARENT_SCOPE)
endfunction()
set(items a b c)
showcase_args(items)
message("items: ${items}")
```

items: a;b;c;d;e;f



### Macro

 Not dynamically scoped, so all variables leak into the calling scope

```
macro(showcase_args arg1)
  set("${arg1}" ${$arg1}} d e f)
endmacro()
set(items a b c)
showcase_args(items)
message("items: ${items}")
```

```
items: a;b;c;d;e;f
```



## **CMake Common Command Review**

```
cmake minimum required(VERSION 3.9)
project(Example LANGUAGES C CXX)
set(CMAKE CXX STANDARD 11)
set(CMAKE CXX STANDARD REQUIRED TRUE)
set(srcs
  Field.cxx
  CellSet.cxx
  CellSetExplicit.cxx
  ImplicitFunctions.cxx)
add library(simplelib ${srcs})
add executable(example main.cxx)
target link libraries(example
                      PRIVATE simplelib)
add subdirectory(tests)
```



## **CMake Commands**

- All commands
  - cmake --help-command-list
  - cmake --help-command command\_name
  - https://cmake.org/cmake/help/latest/manual/cm ake-commands.7.html

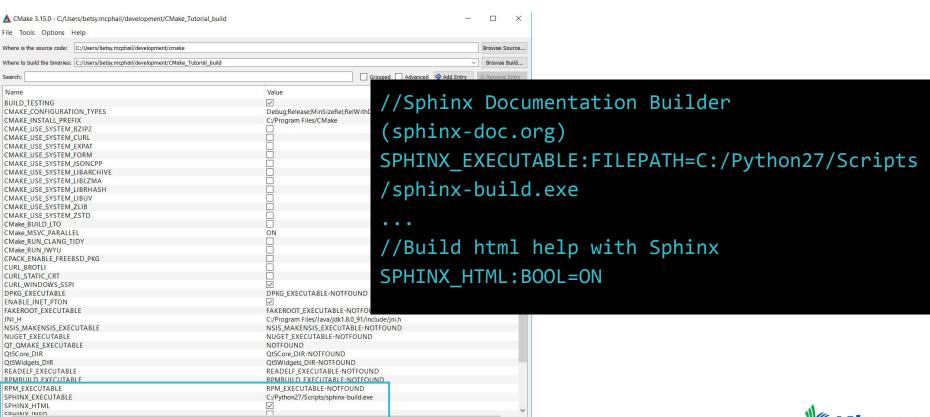


## CMakeCache.txt

- Stores optional choices and provides a project global variable repository
- Variables are kept from run to run
- Located in the top directory of the build tree
- A set of entries like this:
  - KEY:TYPE=VALUE
- Valid types:
  - BOOL
  - STRING
  - PATH
  - FILEPATH
  - INTERNAL

(these are only used by cmake-gui and ccmake to display the appropriate type of edit widget)

## CMake Cache



Press Configure to update and display new values in red, then press Generate to generate selected build files.

 Use option command or set command with CACHE keyword

```
option(MY_VAR "only bool var" TRUE)
set(MY_VAR TRUE CACHE BOOL "bool var")
```



Dereferences look first for a local variable, then in the cache if there is no local definition for a variable

Local variables hide cache variables



Which one is the better option?

```
set(CMAKE_CXX_FLAGS "-Wall")
```

```
set(CMAKE_CXX_FLAGS "${CMAKE_CXX_FLAGS} -Wall")
```

```
set(CMAKE_CXX_FLAGS "..." CACHE STRING "" FORCE)
```



```
set(CMAKE_CXX_FLAGS "-Wall")
# Clears any users CXX FLAGS! :(

set(CMAKE_CXX_FLAGS "${CMAKE_CXX_FLAGS} -Wall")

set(CMAKE_CXX_FLAGS "..." CACHE STRING "" FORCE)
# Will keep appending each time you reconfigure
```

# the project



# mark\_as\_advanced

- Advanced variables are not displayed in the cache editors by default
- Allows for complicated, seldom changed options to be hidden from users

 Cache variables of the INTERNAL type are never shown in cache editors

# **CMake Special Variables**

- cmake --help-variables or online docs
- User settable variables
  - BUILD SHARED LIBS
  - CMAKE INSTALL PREFIX
  - CMAKE\_CXX\_FLAGS / CMAKE\_<LANG>\_FLAGS
- CMake pre-defined variables (should not be set by user code)
  - WIN32, UNIX, APPLE, CMAKE VERSION
  - CMAKE\_SOURCE\_DIR, CMAKE\_BINARY\_DIR
  - PROJECT\_NAME
  - PROJECT\_SOURCE\_DIR, PROJECT\_BINARY\_DIR



# Passing options to the compiler

```
add_compile_definitions(-Drevision=2902)
target_compile_definitions(Tutorial PRIVATE revision=2902)
target_compile_options(Tutorial PRIVATE -march=native)
```

- alternative to configuring header files
- targets, directories, and source files have the properties: COMPILE\_OPTIONS, COMPILE\_DEFINITIONS
   Which can be also be used instead of the target commands.



## **Build Configurations**

- With Makefile generators(Makefile, Ninja):
  - CMAKE\_BUILD\_TYPE:STRING=Release
  - known values are: Debug, Release, MinSizeRel,
     RelWithDebInfo

 To build multiple configurations with a Makefile generator, use multiple build trees



# **Build Configurations**

- With multi-config generators (Visual Studio / Xcode):
  - CMAKE\_CONFIGURATION\_TYPES
    - = list of valid values for config types
  - All binaries go into config subdirectory

```
${CMAKE_CURRENT_BINARY_DIR}/bin/Debug/
${CMAKE_CURRENT_BINARY_DIR}/bin/Release/
```



# **Build Configurations**

- To set per configuration information:
  - per target use \$<CONFIG>

```
target_compile_definitions(Tutorial PRIVATE
    $<$<CONFIG:DEBUG>:ENABLE_DEBUG_CHECKS>
)
```

— globally use CMAKE\_CXX\_FLAGS\_<CONFIG>



# **Build Configurations**

- To get the current configuration type from multi-conf:
  - Generate Time:
    - \$<CONFIG>
  - Build-time (deprecated):
    - \${CMAKE\_CFG\_INTDIR}
  - In source file
    - CMAKE\_INTDIR which is defined automatically



## **ADDING LIBRARIES**



### **CMake Libraries**

• Use the add\_library command to build libraries.

```
option(BUILD_SHARED_LIBS
   "controls add_library default type" ON)
add_library(root root.cxx)
add_library(trunk STATIC trunk.cxx)
add_library(leaf SHARED leaf.cxx)
```

- STATIC => .a or .lib archive
- SHARED => .so, .dylib, or .dll dynamic library



### **CMake Libraries**

```
option(BUILD_SHARED_LIBS
   "controls add_library default type" ON)
add_library(root root.cxx)
add_library(trunk STATIC trunk.cxx)
add_library(leaf SHARED leaf.cxx)
```

- SHARED will work on Unix where supported.
- SHARED on Windows requires code changes or \*.def files to export symbols. CMake makes this easier.



## Linking to Libraries

 target\_link\_libraries is how you specify what libraries a target requires.

```
add_library(root SHARED root.cxx)
add_library(trunk SHARED trunk.cxx)
add_library(leaf SHARED leaf.cxx)

target_link_libraries(trunk root)
target_link_libraries(leaf trunk)
```



# Linking to Libraries

 By default target\_link\_libraries is transitive



## **MODULE Libraries**

 Very similar to SHARED libraries but are not linked into other targets but can be loaded dynamically at runtime using dlopen-like functionality

add\_library(parasite MODULE eat\_leaf.cxx)



## **OBJECT Libraries**

- Generate the object files but does not construct an archive or library
  - Can be installed [3.9]
  - Can be exported/imported [3.9]
  - Can be consumed with target\_link\_libraries [3.12]
  - Can have transitive information [3.12]



#### **OBJECT Libraries**

```
add_library(root OBJECT root.cxx)
add_library(trunk OBJECT trunk.cxx)
add_library(leaf SHARED leaf.cxx)
target_link_libraries(leaf root trunk)
```

```
[100%] Linking CXX shared library libleaf.so
/usr/bin/c++ -fPIC -shared -Wl,-soname,libleaf.so
-o libleaf.so leaf.cxx.o root.cxx.o trunk.cxx.o
```



### **OBJECT Libraries**

```
add_library(root OBJECT root.cxx)
add_library(trunk OBJECT trunk.cxx)
add_library(leaf SHARED
             leaf.cxx
             $<TARGET OBJECTS:root>
             $<TARGET OBJECTS:trunk>)
[100%] Linking CXX shared library libleaf.so
/usr/bin/c++ -fPIC -shared -Wl,-soname, libleaf.so
           -o libleaf.so leaf.cxx.o root.cxx.o trunk.cxx.o
```



## **OBJECT Libraries Caveats**

- CMake 3.9 added ability for OBJECT libraries to be:
  - Installed / Exported / Imported
  - \$<TARGET\_OBJECTS> to be used in more generator expression locations



### **OBJECT Libraries Caveats**

- CMake 3.12 added ability to link to OBJECT libraries:
  - Will behave like any other library for propagation
  - Anything that links to an OBJECT library will have the objects embedded into it.



# Step 2- Adding a library

#### Cooley:

soft add +cmake-3.17.3

#### Theta:

module load cmake/3.16.2 module swap craype-mic-knl craype-broadwell

- Follow the directions in Step2
- Run cmake or cmake-gui to configure the project and then build it with your chosen build tool
- Run the built Tutorial executable
- Which function gives better results,
  - Step1's sqrt or Step2's mysqrt?

**Exercise!** 

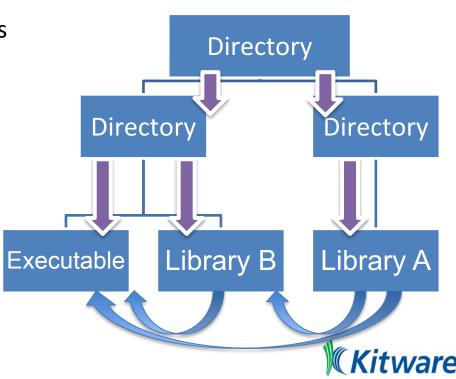
Modern CMake

## **USAGE REQUIREMENTS**



# Before Usage Requirements

- Before Usage Requirements existed we used directory scoped commands such as:
  - include\_directories
  - compile\_definitions
  - compile\_options
- Consumers have to know:
  - Does the dependency generate build tree files
  - Does the dependency use any new external package

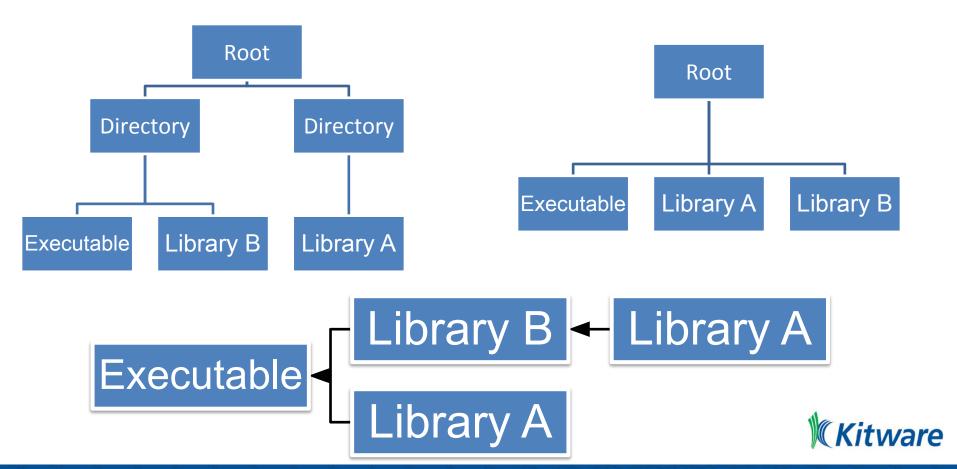


## Modern CMake / Usage Requirements

- Modern CMake goal is to have each target fully describe how to properly use it
- No difference between using internal and external generated targets



### Modern CMake



## **Usage Requirements**

- target\_link\_libraries is the foundation for usage requirements
- This foundation is formed by
  - PUBLIC
  - PRIVATE
  - INTERFACE

```
target_link_libraries(trunk PRIVATE root)
target_link_libraries(leaf PUBLIC trunk)
```



# **Usage Requirements**

```
target_link_libraries(trunk PRIVATE root)
target_link_libraries(leaf PUBLIC trunk)
```

```
/usr/bin/c++ -fPIC -shared -Wl,-soname,libleaf.so
-o libleaf.so leaf.cxx.o libtrunk.so
```



# TLL (target link libraries)

- TLL can propagate dependencies when using:
  - target\_include\_directories
  - target\_compile\_definitions
  - target\_compile\_options
  - target\_sources
  - target\_link\_options



# target\_include\_directories

Propagates include directories

```
target_include_directories(leaf INTERFACE ${zlib_dir})
```

 Anything that links to leaf will automatically have the zlib\_dir on the include line



# target\_compile\_options

Propagates compiler options

```
target_compile_options(trunk PRIVATE -march=native)
```

 Only trunk will be built optimized for the current hardware. Anything that links to trunk will not get this flag



# target\_compile\_definitions

Propagates pre-processor definitions

```
target_compile_definitions(root PUBLIC "ROOT_VERSION=42")
```

 Root will have ROOT\_VERSION defined and anything that links to it will also



## **INTERFACE** Libraries

 An INTERFACE library target does not directly create build output, though it may have properties set on it and it may be installed, exported, and imported.

```
add_library(root INTERFACE)
target_compile_features(root INTERFACE cxx_std_11)
```



## Step 3 - Usage Requirements for Library

```
Cooley:
```

```
soft add +cmake-3.17.3
```

#### Theta:

```
module load cmake/3.16.2 module swap craype-mic-knl craype-broadwell
```

- Follow the directions in Step3 of the Tutorial
- Run cmake or cmake-gui to configure the project and then build it with your chosen build tool



## **INSTALL RULES**



## **Install Rules**

- Specify rules to run at install time
- Can install targets, files, or directories
- Provides default install locations

```
add_library(leaf SHARED leaf.cxx)
install(TARGETS root trunk leaf parasite)
```



# Install Targets

```
add_library(leaf SHARED leaf.cxx)
install(TARGETS root trunk leaf parasite)
```

```
add_library(leaf SHARED leaf.cxx)
install(TARGETS root trunk leaf parasite
   ARCHIVE DESTINATION lib
   LIBRARY DESTINATION lib
   RUNTIME DESTINATION bin)
```

# **Install Targets**

```
add_library(leaf SHARED leaf.cxx)
install(TARGETS root trunk leaf parasite)
```

Target Type	GNUInstallDirs Variable	Built-in Default
RUNTIME	\${CMAKE_INSTALL_BINDIR}	bin
LIBRARY	\${CMAKE_INSTALL_LIBDIR}	lib
ARCHIVE	\${CMAKE_INSTALL_LIBDIR}	lib
PRIVATE_HEADER	\${CMAKE_INSTALL_INCLUDEDIR}	include
PUBLIC_HEADER	\${CMAKE_INSTALL_INCLUDEDIR}	include



## **Install Files**

```
install(FILES
    trunk.h
    leaf.h
    DESTINATION
    ${CMAKE_INSTALL_INCLUDEDIR}/tree
)
```

### **Install Files**

```
add library(leaf SHARED leaf.cxx)
set_target_properties(leaf PROPERTIES
                      PUBLIC HEADER leaf.h)
install(TARGETS root trunk leaf parasite
  PUBLIC HEADER DESTINATION
     ${CMAKE INSTALL INCLUDEDIR}/tree
```

## **Exporting Targets**

Install rules can generate imported targets

- Installs library and target import rules
  - refix>/lib/libparasite.a
  - - cmake/tree-targets.cmake



## **CTEST**



## Testing with CMake

 Testing needs to be enabled by calling include(CTest) or enable\_testing()

- Executable should return 0 for a test that passes
- ctest an executable that is distributed with cmake that can run tests in a project



## Running CTest

Run ctest at the top of a binary directory to run all tests



#### Running CTest

- -j option allows you to run tests in parallel
- -R option allows you to choose a test
- -VV for more verbose output
- --rerun-failed to repeat failed tests

• ctest --help for more information



#### Test fixtures

- Attach setup and cleanup tasks to a set of tests.
- Setup tests → "main" tests → cleanup tests
- If any setup tests fail the "main" tests will not be run.
- The cleanup tests are always executed, even if some of the setup tests failed.

## Test Fixtures example

```
add test(NAME myDBTest
                         COMMAND testDb)
add test(NAME createDB
                         COMMAND initDB)
add test(NAME setupUsers COMMAND userCreation)
add test(NAME cleanupDB
                         COMMAND deleteDB)
add test(NAME testsDone
                         COMMAND emailResults)
```



## Test Fixtures example

```
set tests properties(setupUsers PROPERTIES
  DEPENDS createDB)
set tests properties(createDB
                               PROPERTIES
  FIXTURES SETUP DB)
set tests properties(setupUsers PROPERTIES
  FIXTURES_SETUP DB)
set tests properties(cleanupDB
                                PROPERTIES
  FIXTURES_CLEANUP DB)
set tests properties(myDBTest
                                PROPERTIES
  FIXTURES_REQUIRED DB)
```



## GoogleTest integration

```
include(GoogleTest)
add_executable(tests tests.cpp)
target_link_libraries(tests GTest::GTest)
```

- gtest discover tests: added in CMake 3.10.
  - CMake asks the test executable to list its tests.
     Finds new tests without rerunning CMake.

```
gtest_discover_tests(tests)
```



## GoogleTest integration

```
include(GoogleTest)
add_executable(tests tests.cpp)
target_link_libraries(tests GTest::GTest)
```

- gtest add tests: use for CMake ≤ 3.9.
  - Scans source files to finds tests. New tests are only discovered when CMake re-runs.

```
gtest_add_tests(TARGET tests)
```



#### CTest and multi core tests

 When launching tests that use multi cores it is important to make sure you use the following:



#### CTest and multi core tests

PROCESSOR\_AFFINITY - when supported ties processes to specific processors



- Tests specify the resources they need
- Users specify the resources available on the machine
- CTest keeps track of available resources when running tests in parallel
- New in CMake v3.16



- Tests using GPU
  - Run tests serially → too slow
  - Run tests in parallel → exhaust available
     memory → spurious failures
- Tests dictate how much GPU memory they use
- CTest can run tests in parallel without exhausting GPU memory



- CTest does not directly communicate with GPUs
- It keeps track of abstract resource types and the number of "slots" available



For tests, set RESOURCE\_GROUPS property

```
set_property(TEST MyTest PROPERTY
RESOURCE_GROUPS "gpus:2" "crypto_chips:1")
```

For machines, define a <u>Resource Specification</u>
 <u>JSON file</u>.

```
ctest_test(RESOURCE_SPEC_FILE spec.json)
```



## Step 4 - Installing and Testing

- Follow the directions in Step4 of the CMake Tutorial
  - Expect the `make install` to fail when on ANL hardware
- Run cmake or cmake-gui to configure the project and then build it with your chosen build tool
- Build the "install" target (make install, or right click install and choose "Build Project") – verify that the installed Tutorial runs
- cd to the binary directory and run "ctest -N" and "ctest -VV"





#### **SYSTEM INTROSPECTION**



- One of CMake strengths is the find\_package infrastructure
- CMake provides 150 find modules
  - cmake --help-module-list
  - https://cmake.org/cmake/help/latest/manual/cmake-modules.7.html

```
find_package(PythonInterp)
find_package(TBB REQUIRED)
```



- CMake supports each project having custom find modules via CMAKE\_MODULE\_PATH
  - It is searched before using a module provided by CMake

```
set(CMAKE_MODULE_PATH ${CMAKE_CURRENT_SOURCE_DIR}/CMake)
```

```
-rw-r--r-- 1 robert robert 88470 Jun 26 08:31 FindMPI.cmake
-rw-r--r-- 1 robert robert 18962 May 14 15:15 FindOpenGL.cmake
-rw-r--r-- 1 robert robert 21991 May 14 15:15 FindOpenMP.cmake
-rw-r--r-- 1 robert robert 1318 May 14 15:15 FindPyexpander.cmake
-rw-r--r-- 1 robert robert 13011 Jun 3 15:31 FindTBB.cmake
```

- Modern approach: packages construct import targets which combine necessary information into a target.
- Classic CMake: when a package has been found it will define the following:
  - <NAME>\_FOUND
  - <NAME>\_INCLUDE\_DIRS
  - <NAME>\_LIBRARIES



## **Using Config Modules**

- find\_package also supports config modules
- Config modules are generated by the CMake
   export command
- Automatically generate import targets with all information, removing the need for consuming projects to write a find module



Our library "trunk" needs PNG

```
find_package(PNG REQUIRED)
add_library(trunk SHARED trunk.cxx)
```

Preferred Modern CMake approach:

```
target_link_libraries(trunk PRIVATE PNG::PNG)
```

Historical approach:

```
target_link_libraries(trunk ${PNG_LIBRARIES})
include_directories(trunk ${PNG_INCLUDE_DIRS})
```



- Exporting your targets is preferred when possible.
- Only write a find module for a project you cannot change.
- Full example here:

https://cmake.org/cmake/help/latest/manual/cmake-developer.7.html#a-sample-find-module



#### Find required files

```
find_path(MyLib_INCLUDE_DIR NAMES mylib.h)
find_library(MyLib_LIBRARY NAMES mylib)
```

Set version (if available)

```
set(MyLib_VERSION ${MyLib_VERSION})
```



```
include(FindPackageHandleStandardArgs)
find_package_handle_standard_args(MyLib
  FOUND VAR MyLib FOUND
  REQUIRED VARS
   MyLib LIBRARY
    MyLib INCLUDE DIR
  VERSION_VAR MyLib VERSION)
```



## FindPackageHandleStandardArgs

- Makes sure REQUIRED\_VARS are set
- Sets MyLib\_FOUND
- Checks version if MyLib\_VERSION is set and and a version was passed to find\_package()
- Prints status messages indicating if the package was found.



Provide a way to use the found results: variables (classic approach)

```
if(MyLib_FOUND)
  set(MyLib_LIBRARIES ${MyLib_LIBRARY})
  set(MyLib_INCLUDE_DIRS ${MyLib_INCLUDE_DIR})
endif()
```



Provide a way to use the found results: imported targets (new approach)

```
if(MyLib_FOUND AND NOT TARGET MyLib::MyLib)
  add_library(MyLib::MyLib UNKNOWN IMPORTED)
  set_target_properties(MyLib::MyLib PROPERTIES
        IMPORTED_LOCATION "${MyLib_LIBRARY}"
        INTERFACE_INCLUDE_DIRECTORIES "${MyLib_INCLUDE_DIR}"
  )
endif()
```

# Understanding Find Modules Searches

- CMake's find\_package uses the following pattern:
  - <PackageName>\_ROOT from cmake, then env [3.12]
  - CMAKE\_PREFIX\_PATH from cmake
  - <PackageName>\_DIR from env
  - CMAKE\_PREFIX\_PATH from env
  - Any path listed in find\_package(PNG HINTS /opt/png/)



# Understanding Find Modules Searches

- PATH from env
- paths found in the CMake User Package Registry
- System paths as defined in the toolchain/platform
  - CMAKE\_SYSTEM\_PREFIX\_PATH
- Any path listed in find\_package(PNG PATHS /opt/png/)



#### Find Module Variables

 In general all the search steps can be selectively disabled. For example to disable environment paths:

```
find_package(<package> NO_SYSTEM_ENVIRONMENT_PATH)
```

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```
set(CMAKE_FIND_USE_SYSTEM_ENVIRONMENT_PATH FALSE)
find_package(<package>)
```

### Directing Find Modules Searches

 The default search order is designed to be most-specific to least-specific for common use cases. When projects need to search an explicit set of places first, they can use the following pattern

```
find_package(<package> PATHS paths... NO_DEFAULT_PATH)
find_package(<package>)
```

## Directing Find Modules Searches

- CMAKE\_FIND\_ROOT\_PATH
  - N directories to "re-root" the entire search under.

```
cmake -DCMAKE_FIND_ROOT_PATH=/home/user/pi .
Checking prefix [/home/user/pi/usr/local/]
Checking prefix [/home/user/pi/usr/]
Checking prefix [/home/user/pi/]
```



#### Direct Find Modules Searches

- CMAKE\_PREFIX\_PATH
  - Prefix used by find\_package as the second search path

```
<prefix>/
                                                                 (W)
fix>/(cmake|CMake)/
                                                                 (W)
<prefix>/<name>*/
                                                                 (W)
<prefix>/<name>*/(cmake|CMake)/
                                                                 (W)
<prefix>/(lib/<arch>|lib|share)/cmake/<name>*/
                                                                 (U)
<prefix>/(lib/<arch>|lib|share)/<name>*/
                                                                 (U)
<prefix>/(lib/<arch>|lib|share)/<name>*/(cmake|CMake)/
                                                                 (U)
<prefix>/<name>*/(lib/<arch>|lib|share)/cmake/<name>*/
                                                                 (W/U)
<prefix>/<name>*/(lib/<arch>|lib|share)/<name>*/
                                                                 (W/U)
<prefix>/<name>*/(lib/<arch>|lib|share)/<name>*/(cmake|CMake)/
                                                                 (W/U)
                                                                         Kitware
```

#### Direct Find Modules Searches

- <PackageName>\_ROOT
  - Prefix used by find\_package to start searching for the given package
  - The package root variables are maintained as a stack so if called from within a find module, root paths from the parent's find module will also be searched after paths for the current package.



### Debugging Find Modules [3.17+]

#### find\_package(XYZ REQUIRED)

```
cmake --find-debug .
find package considered the following paths for XYZ.cmake
 /opt/cmake/.../Modules/FindXYZ.cmake
The file was not found.
find package considered the following locations for the Config module:
 /home/robert/.local/XYZConfig.cmake
  /home/robert/.local/xyz-config.cmake
 /opt/cmake/XYZConfig.cmake
 /opt/cmake/xyz-config.cmake
The file was not found.
```

## Debugging Find Calls [3.17+]



#### Include command

- Allows for including of helper CMake routines that are located in different files
- Use the CMAKE\_MODULE\_PATH to search for files

# Setup default build types
include(VTKmBuildType)



# Example include file

```
# Set a default build type if none was specified
set(default build type "Release")
if(EXISTS "${CMAKE SOURCE DIR}/.git")
  set(default build type "Debug")
endif()
if(NOT CMAKE BUILD TYPE AND NOT CMAKE CONFIGURATION TYPES)
  message(STATUS
  "Setting build type to '${default_build_type}' as none was specified.")
  set(CMAKE BUILD TYPE "${default build type}" CACHE
      STRING "Choose the type of build." FORCE)
  # Set the possible values for build type for cmake-gui
  set property(CACHE CMAKE BUILD TYPE PROPERTY STRINGS
    "Debug" "Release" "MinSizeRel" "RelWithDebInfo")
endif()
```

### System Introspection

- find\_\* commands
  - find\_file
  - find\_library
  - find\_package
  - find\_path
  - find\_program



### System Introspection

- try\_compile
- Macros to help with common tests
  - CheckIncludeFileCXX.cmake
  - CheckCSourceCompiles.cmake
  - CheckIncludeFiles.cmake
  - CheckCSourceRuns.cmake
  - CheckLibraryExists.cmake
  - CheckCXXCompilerFlag.cmake
  - CheckCXXSourceCompiles.cmake
  - CheckSizeOf.cmake
- try\_run, but only if not cross-compiling



## System Introspection (cont.)

- CheckCXXSourceRuns.cmake
- CheckStructHasMember.cmake
- CheckSymbolExists.cmake
- CheckTypeSize.cmake
- CheckFunctionExists.cmake
- CheckIncludeFile.cmake
- CheckVariableExists.cmake



Step 5 - System Introspection

#### Cooley:

soft add +cmake-3.17.3

#### Theta:

module load cmake/3.16.2 Exemodule swap craype-mic-knl craype-broadwell

- Follow the directions in Step5 of the CMake Tutorial
- Run cmake or cmake-gui to configure the project and then build it with your chosen build tool
- Run the built Tutorial executable
- Which function gives better results now, Step1's sqrt or Step5's mysqrt?

#### **OUTPUT CONTROLS**



#### **Build Name Controls**

- You can control the build output name of targets
  - Controlled at the target level
  - Can be customized on a per config basis



## Suffix Debug Libraries

### Static and Shared libraries



### **Build Versioning Libraries**

library versions on UNIX

This results in the following library and symbolic links:

libleaf.so.1.12

libleaf.so.8 -> libleaf.so.1.12

libleaf.so -> libleaf.so.8



#### **Build Location Controls**

- You can control the build output location of:
  - Executables
  - Libraries
  - Archives
  - PDB Files

- Can be controlled globally, or at the target level
- Can be customized on a per config basis



### **Build Output Controls**

- Executables = CMAKE\_RUNTIME\_OUTPUT\_DIRECTORY
- Shared Libraries = CMAKE\_LIBRARY\_OUTPUT\_DIRECTORY
- Static Libraries = CMAKE\_ARCHIVE\_OUTPUT\_DIRECTORY
- PDB Files = CMAKE\_PDB\_OUTPUT\_DIRECTORY
- DLL's import .lib = CMAKE\_ARCHIVE\_OUTPUT\_DIRECTORY
- At the Target Level (properties)
  - RUNTIME OUTPUT DIRECTORY
  - RUNTIME\_OUTPUT\_DIRECTORY\_<Config>



#### **CUSTOM COMMANDS**



#### Custom commands

- add\_custom\_command
  - Allows you to run arbitrary commands before, during, or after a target is built

- Can be used to generate new files
- Can be used to move or fixup generated or compiled files

#### Custom commands

- All outputs of the add\_custom\_command need to be explicitly listed.
- add\_custom\_command output must be consumed by a target in the same scope
  - add\_custom\_target can be used for this



### Custom command example

```
add_library(CudaPTX OBJECT kernelA.cu kernelB.cu)
set target properties (CudaPTX PROPERTIES CUDA PTX COMPILATION ON)
set(output_file ${CMAKE_CURRENT_BINARY_DIR}/embedded_objs.h)
add_custom_command(
  OUTPUT "${output_file}"
  COMMAND ${CMAKE_COMMAND}
  "-DBIN_TO_C_COMMAND=${bin_to_c}"
  "-DOBJECTS=$<TARGET OBJECTS:CudaPTX>"
  "-DOUTPUT=${output_file}"
  -P ${CMAKE CURRENT SOURCE DIR}/bin2c wrapper.cmake
  VERBATIM
  DEPENDS $<TARGET_OBJECTS:CudaPTX>
  COMMENT "Converting Object files to a C header"
add_executable(CudaOnlyExportPTX main.cu ${output_file})
add_dependencies(CudaOnlyExportPTX CudaPTX)
```



### **CMake Scripts**

- cmake –E command
  - Cross platform command line utility for:
  - Copy file, Remove file, Compare and conditionally copy, time, create symlinks, others
- cmake –P script.cmake
  - Cross platform scripting utility
  - Does not generate CMakeCache.txt
  - Ignores commands specific to generating build environment



#### Step 6 - Custom Command and Generated File

```
Cooley:
   soft add +cmake-3.17.3

Theta:
   module load cmake/3.16.2
   module swap craype-mic-knl craype-broadwell
```

- Follow the directions in Step6 of the CMake Tutorial
- Run cmake or cmake-gui to configure the project and then build it with your chosen build tool
- Run the built Tutorial executable

